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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 232
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A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Gail Zasowski, 2001
Valedictorian of Seymour High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Gail Zasowski is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Seymour High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Gail has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of elite students in Tennessee and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Ms. Zasowski has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Gail Zasowski has been a valuable member of many clubs and programs at Seymour High School, including participating in the Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Youth Art Council in America, Student Congress on Policies in Education, the National Junior Classical

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League Latin Honor Society, and Goals 2000, a student-initiated grant that netted \$17, 915 for her school; and

WHEREAS, An astute leader, she has served as Team Captain of the Academic Team, Editor of the Yearbook Staff, President of the Science Club, Charter member of the National Honor Society, School Delegate for the Citizens National Bank Student Advisory Board, and Team Co-captain of Odyssey of the Mind; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her academic prowess, Gail has received the following honors: All-American Scholar; National Honor Roll; National Merit Scholar; Woodmen of the World, Lodge 101, Award for History Proficiency; President Student Service Award; U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad; Tennessee Honors Program; National Science Merit Award; National English Merit Award; National Leadership and Service Award; 1st place in Mathematics, 4th place in the Army Awards, and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Award at the Southern Appalachian Science and Engineering Fair; 1st place in Mathematics at the Sevier County Science Fair; and 2nd place in the Tennessee Math Teachers Association Maryville Contest; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her many academic activities, Ms. Zasowski has participated in numerous community programs, such as the Girl Scouts, the Seymour Public Library's summer reading program, the Midsouth South District Lutheran Youth Gathering, the Sevier County Relay for Life, and the American Youth Soccer Organization as a Regional Referee; and

WHEREAS, Since June 2000, Gail Zasowski has been a valuable employee of Wal-mart, serving astutely as a Shoe Department Sales Associate; and

WHEREAS, Gail has completed 13 credit hours at Walter State Community College; her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Bob and Ellen Zasowski, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Zasowski's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Seymour High School Valedictorian, Gail Zasowski, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.